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In the UAE, women are becoming more educated. Over 99 percent of all girls attend school, “Illiteracy has dropped 11.3 percent among girls over the age of ten. In higher education over 70 percent of students at universities and technology and institutes are girls” (Salloum 101). According to figures of UAE’s work force, “19.5 percent of the work force in 1995 were women” (fact book). Women are encouraged to become highly educated by Shiekha Fatima bint Mubarak (e.g. see fig.1). “A lot of careers are available to those women who graduated from universities “(Salloum101). There are a lot of women who are ready to play a role in the decision-making process of the country. There are some organizations where women can spend their free time developing their skills to better suit the country and their personal needs. In 1972, the first women’s organizations was established by Sheikha Fatima bint Mubarak2. In 1975, Sheikha Fatima took a major rule in the setting up of the UAE’s Women’s Federation. The federation has been responsible for women taken their place in the work force. “In the past three years, opportunities for women in the government service, education, private business and health care has increased” (Salloum101).



Fig.1 women being educated, UAE

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In the business world a few years ago, “women were restricted from holding shares in most businesses without an agreement of her husband”(WIN.28). Nowadays, women are holding almost 45 percent of majority shares and more than 48 percent of business in the UAE.